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In re application of:

Kunihiro KAWAHARA of Nagano-ken, Japan

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- ☒ 4 sheet(s) of formal drawings
- ☒ certified copy of Japanese patent application No. 2002-308312 which was filed October 23, 2002 from which priority is claimed in the subject case pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 119
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